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Please correct the second listed Japanese priority  
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**--Japan 2001-119900 04/18/2001--**

as indicated in red on the attached copy of the filing receipt.

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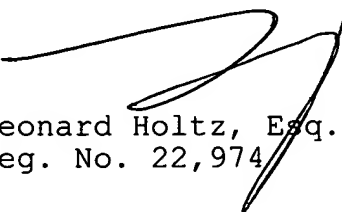
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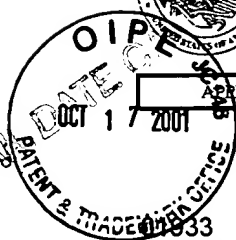
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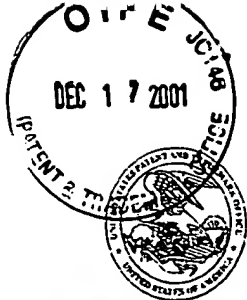
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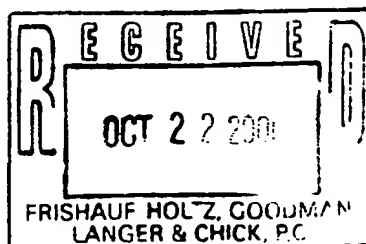


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